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Applicants: **Fitzhugh et al.**

Serial No.:

Filed:

Title: **Highly Cross-Linked,
Extremely Hydrophobic
Nitric Oxide-Releasing
Polymers & Methods for
Their Manufacture & Use**

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Atty Docket No.: 14364.99

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation/divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.: 09/972219
Filed on: October 4, 2001
Entitled: **Highly Cross-Linked, Extremely Hydrophobic Nitric Oxide-Releasing Polymers & Methods for Their Manufacture & Use**
Inventors: Anthony L. Fitzhugh, Robert Cafferata, Larry Keefer

1. Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventor-signed specification of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed. I hereby verify that the papers are a true copy of the latest signed specification of the prior application number 09/972219, filed October 4, 2001, and further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are made punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

2. The preliminary amendment is enclosed.

The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application:

	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Large Entity</u>	<u>Total</u>
Basic Fee	\$375.00	\$750.00	750.00
Total Claims exceeding 20: 18 x	\$9.00	\$18.00	324.00
Indep. Claims exceeding 3: 2 x	\$42.00	\$84.00	168.00
Multiple Dep. Claims +	\$140.00	\$280.00	280.00
Total			\$1,522.00

3. The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:

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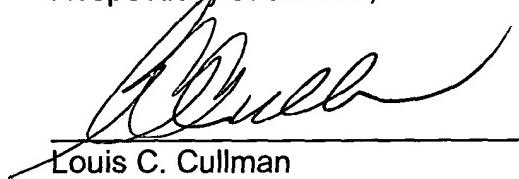
5. A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed for the basic filing fee.
6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1329. The original and one copy of this document are enclosed.

7. Amend the specification :

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional application of U.S. patent application serial number 09/972219 filed October 4, 2001, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

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EXTREMELY HYDROPHOBIC
NITRIC OXIDE-RELEASING
POLYMERS & METHODS FOR
THEIR MANUFACTURE & USE
Group Art Unit: 1616
Examiner: Unknown
Docket No.: 17363.20

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

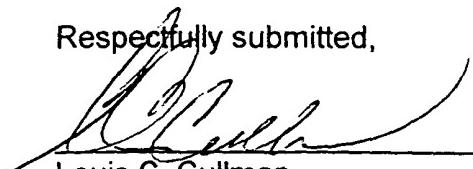
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for a four month extension of time for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated January 15, 2002, extending the statutory period of response from March 15, 2002 to July 15, 2002.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the extension fee in the amount of \$1,440 to Deposit Account 50-1901. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional filing fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1901. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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